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# Recent Progress in Non-Resonant Inelastic X-ray Scattering

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## Outline



Main Target: What has been happening the last few years (in-house)

Transformation from  
making the BL & Spectrometers run -> specific experimental goals

Introduction: Orientation & Context

Progress in High Pressure DAC Work:  
5  $\mu\text{m}$  Beam, Soller Screen for Background Reduction  
Applications in a talk by E. Ohtani

Progress with Liquids:  
Practical sub-meV setup for sub  $\text{nm}^{-1}$   
Crossover from hydrodynamic to fast sound in liquid iron

Progress using thermal currents to manipulate phonons  
How to break detailed balance in an interesting way  
Investigate microsecond-scale phonon lifetimes in silicon

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High Pressure: H. Fukui, Y. Nakajima, D. Ishikawa, et al.  
Ohtani-Lab (Ikuta), Hirose-Lab (ELSI)

Liquids: D. Ishikawa (T-Gradient), M. Inui (High T), *et al*

Thermal line-width: T. Fukuda & D. Ishikawa



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Hiroshima U.



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## meV IXS: Orientation/Background

meV-resolved non-resonant IXS to investigate atomic dynamics.  
Phonons in Crystals, excitations in liquids, etc.  
Measure the Dynamic Structure Factor,  $S(Q, \omega)$

Vienna Summer School: Dorner, Fujii, Hastings, Moncton, Siddons et al (1980)  
(Priv. Comm. & Notes from D. Moncton)

BL Proposal: Dorner & Peisl (1983)

First Phonons (Be) at DESY: Burkel, Peisl, Dorner (1987)

3<sup>rd</sup> Generation beamline (ID16) at ERSF : Sette, Ruocco, Krisch *et al* (1995)

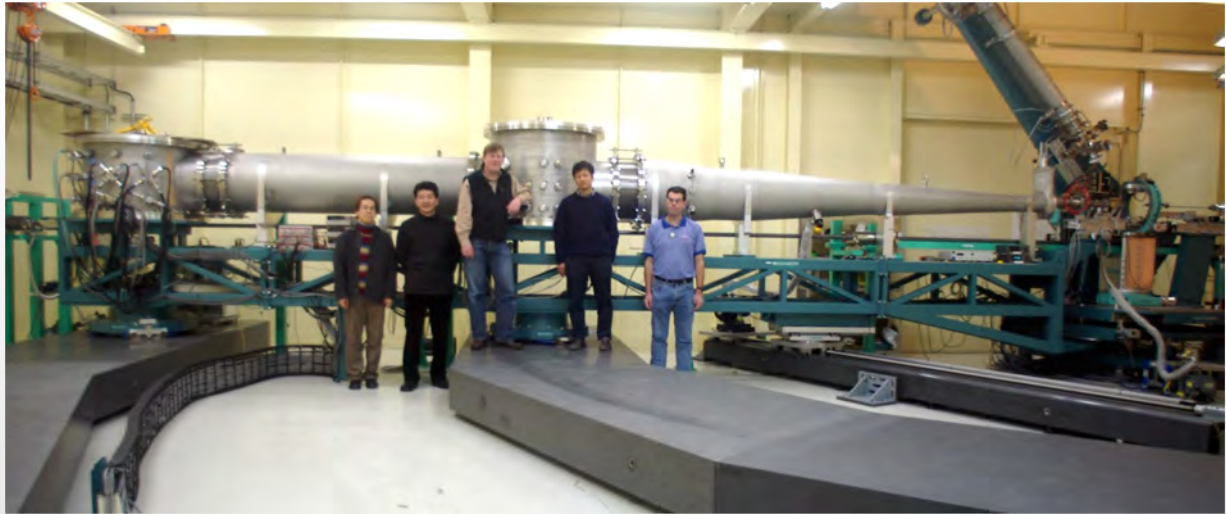
Presently

1 Beamline (ID28) at ESRF (Shutdown for Upgrade)  
2 Beamlines (Sector 3 and Sector 30) at APS  
2 Beamlines (BL35 and BL43LXU) at SPRING-8  
(1 Beamline at NSLS-II (Different setup, PSC))

Review: Springer Handbook & arXiv 1504.01098

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## The First meV Instrument at SPring-8 (BL35XU)



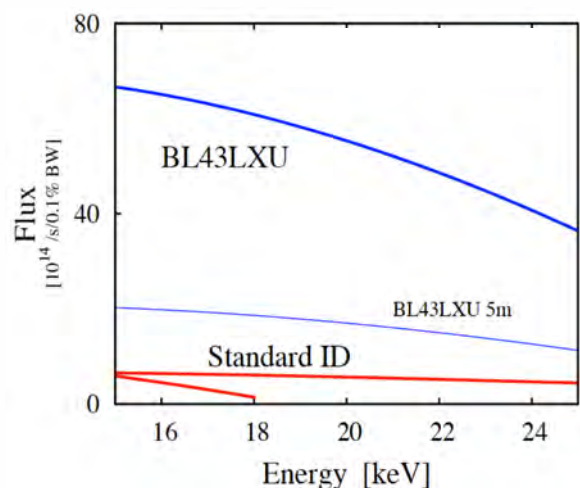
Operational from ~2002

Baron, Tanaka, *et al*, J. Phys. Chem. Solids (2000)

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## Higher Flux for IXS

-> Propose a new beamline (BL43LXU)  
using a long (30m) straight section



**In-Vacuum ID technology well matched to IXS (15-25keV) at 8 GeV**  
**Short (19mm) period/small (6mm) gap ID: Fundamental**  
 -> Win/Win: more flux & less heat load per unit flux

Note: After BL43 Discussions,  
request (granted) to upgrade BL35 ID

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## Support from the Scientific Community



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## BL43LXU Collaborators

RIKEN-JASRI Collaboration

Initial Discussions & Design (Beginning in 2004):

Electron Optics: Kouichi SOUTOME, Hitoshi TANAKA  
 Insertion Devices: Takashi TANAKA, Hideo KITAMURA  
 Mono & Cooling: Tetsuro MOCHIZUKI  
 Front End: Sunao TAKAHASHI  
 Hutches and Shielding: Kunikazu TAKESHITA  
 Transport Channel & Optics: Haruhiko OHASHI, Shunji GOTO  
 Spectrometer (2008-): Daisuke ISHIKAWA

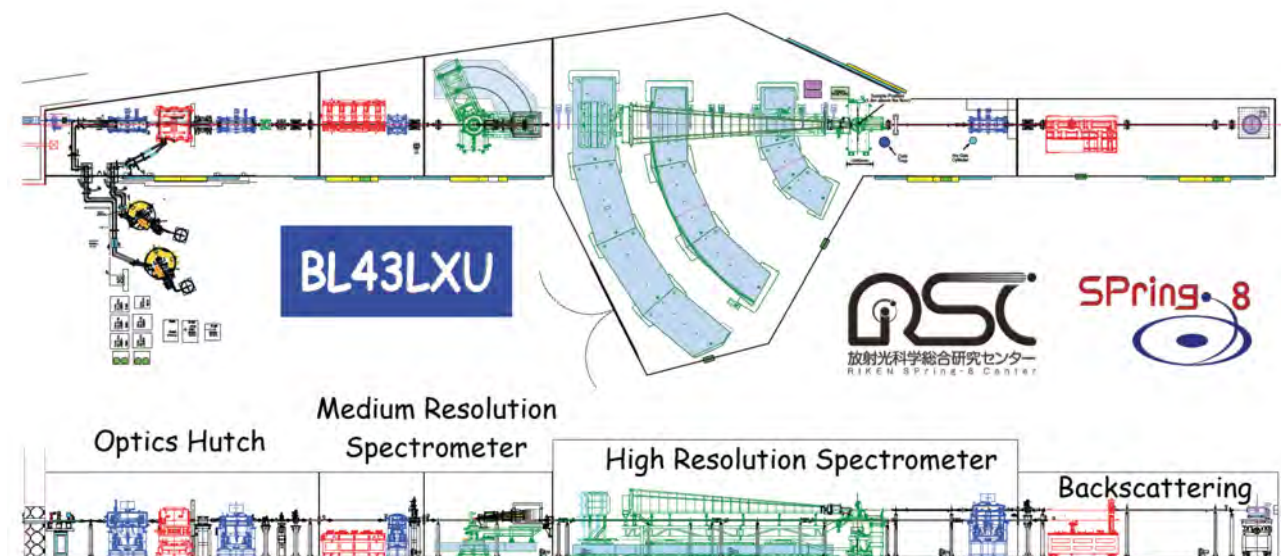
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## Growing Pains

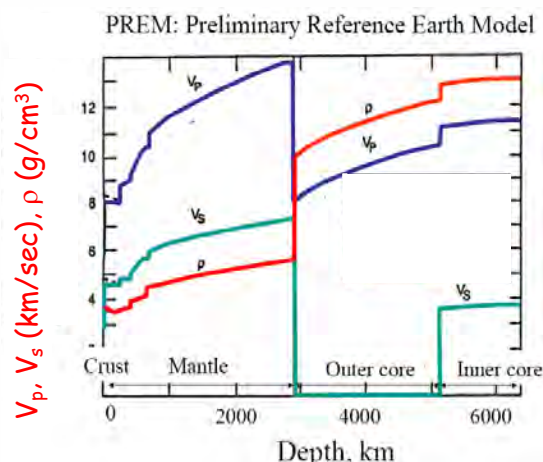
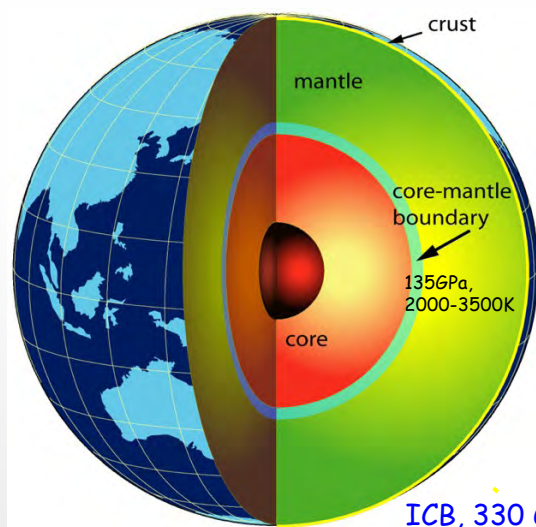
3 x 5m/6mm gap IDs, 2 Spectrometers (IXS/EE)

Full power operation from April of 2015

- Steering the e- beam through 3 IDs (more careful feedback)
- Heating/Melting of ID covers (intra-ID absorber -> Few% losses)
- Beam spatial structure due to mirrors (improved polishing -> OK)
- Technology Transfer for HR analyzers (New company taught)
- Difficult fabrication of MR analyzers (New process developed)
- Stability of M1 (AB Correct Toyama's design)

Note: Problems involving ring systems (e-beam, IDs) take ~year time scales to diagnose and fix. Others mostly faster.

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ICB, 330 GPa,  
~5000K

Earth's Center, 365 GPa  
~5000K

Velocity (and  $\rho$ ) well known from seismic measurements.  
Needed: Lab measurements relating T, Density & Composition to P

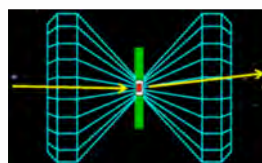
A catalogue of sound velocities in extreme conditions...

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## IXS with Diamond Anvil Cells (DACs)

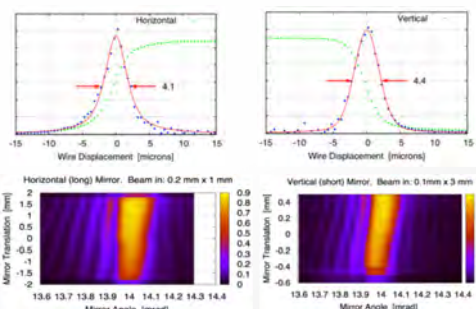
High Pressure: Squeeze the sample between two diamonds

Diamonds: 2 x 1.5 mm Thick (typical)  
Sample: ~ 20-200  $\mu\text{m}$  diam. x ~2-20  $\mu\text{m}$  thick  
Scattering from C, gasket & pressure medium  
Higher P  $\rightarrow$  smaller sample, harder expt.



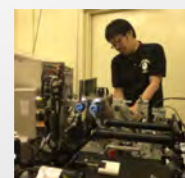
Elliptical KB (Multilayer) for 17.8 keV  
Accepts: 1 x 3 mm<sup>2</sup>  
Focus Size: 5 x 5  $\mu\text{m}^2$  (FWHM)  
Throughput ~ 60%

Baron, Ishikawa, Fukui & Nakajima, Y. (2019).  
AIP Conf. Proc. **2054**, 20002. DOI: 10.1063/1.5084562.



High T: (Double Sided) Laser Heating

Dedicated Systems  
Tohoku/RIKEN  
Tokyo Tech



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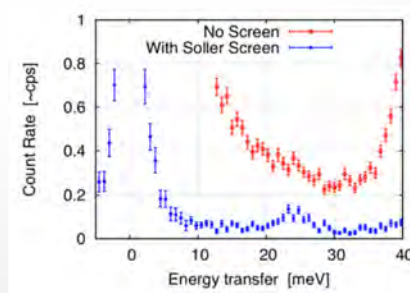
## "Soller Screen"

HP DAC work limited by background from diamonds (or Be gasket)  
ie: parasitic scattering from within a few mm of the sample

**Usual Solution:** A small slit near the sample to limit the view to only the sample  
(One Detector)

For IXS: Would like a Soller slit but spacing is prohibitively small (~50 um spacing needed)

"Soller Screen": Two Flat W plates at 5 mm and 10mm from the sample with laser cut slots  
Accepts beam to every other (every second) analyzer (24→12) and drastically reduces the background



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## HP DAC Work

Program looking at Elasticity/ $C_{ij}$  in single crystals via Christofel's eqn  
(Fukui, Yoneda & Co-Workers)

Program looking at liquids (HP/HT) including iron & related materials  
(Nakajima, Kuwayama, Hirose, et al)

Program looking at powder samples (iron & others, mostly HP, some HT)  
(Sakamaki, Fukui, Ikuta, Ohtani, et al)

"Using an x-ray scattering beamline  
to change the composition of the Earth's core"  
Talk by E. Ohtani (Thursday PM)

Program Looking at Hydrogen

$H_3S$  (Fukui, Nakajima, et al)

Hydrogen Solid Vibron (Liu, Ding, Mao, et al)

Liquid Hydrogen Vibron (AB, DI, Liu, Mao, et al) MR & HR

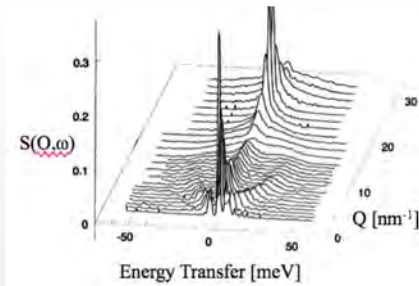
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# Liquids

Essentially impossible to separate structure from dynamics

Long-standing area of interest as IXS is, mostly, a unique probe at  $Q \rightarrow 0$ .  
(IXS:  $E \gg E_{\text{Transfer}}$ , INS:  $E \approx E_{\text{Transfer}} \rightarrow$  limits INS  $E$  range)



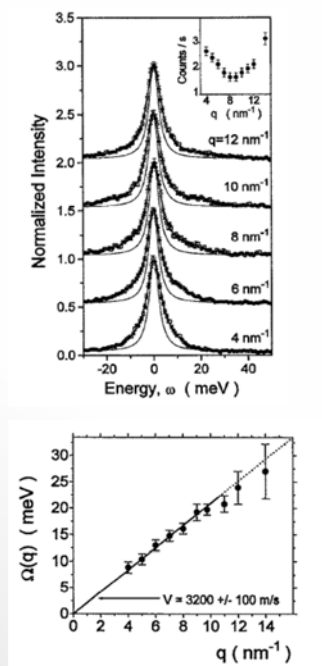
Liquid Mg, Kawakita, et al 2004

Points of Interest:  
Acoustic Dispersion/Fast Sound  
Acoustic line-width  
Quasi-elastic line-width  
Transverse dynamics  
Landau-Placzek?

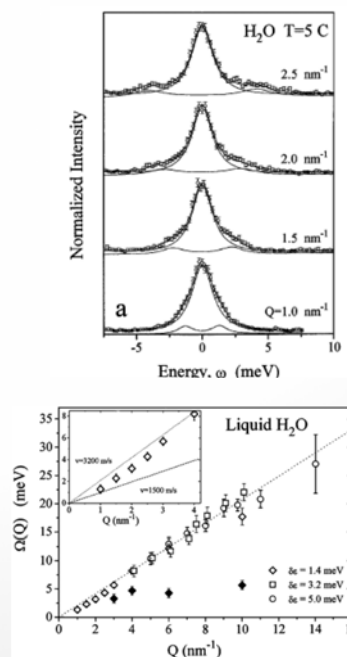
Usual Focus: Crossover from continuum to atomistic behavior  
 $\rightarrow$  Lower  $Q$  and higher resolution is critical

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# Sound Crossover in Water



Sette et al, prl 1995



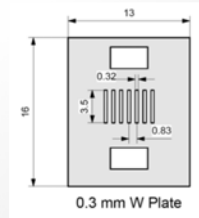
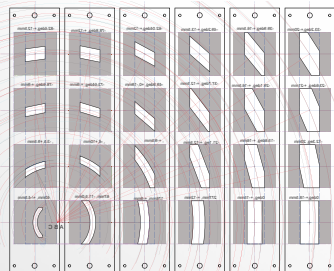
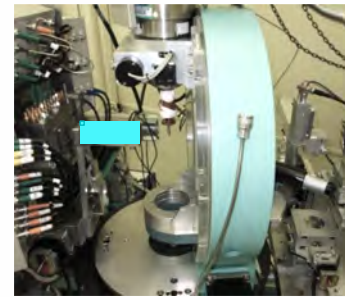
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**Analyzer Masks**  
(pinned)

**Soller Slit**  
X,Z, $\theta$



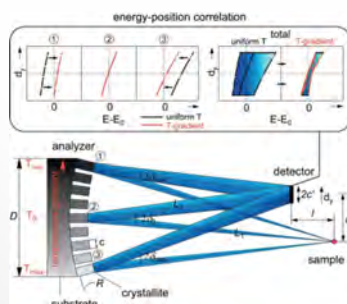
Slits at fixed  $|Q|$   
Improves Rates for fixed  
Q Resolution  $dQ/Q \sim 10\%$

Limits acceptance to near the sample  
Reduces background from  
Windows & Sample Environment

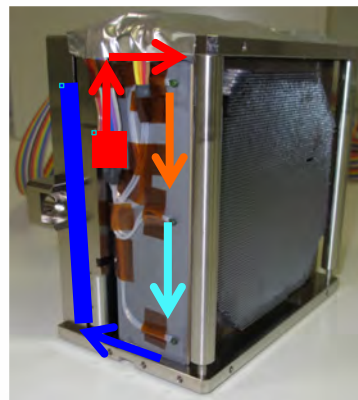
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BL43 Analyzers: 9.8 m Radius,  
90x94 mm<sup>2</sup> on a Rectangular Substrate

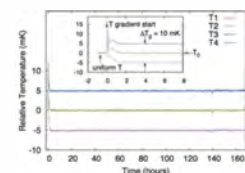
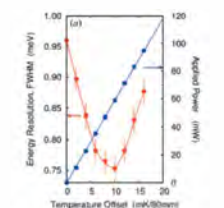


Usual operation is slightly  
off of the ideal Roland Circle  
→ Helps if you vary "d"  
using a T-Gradient

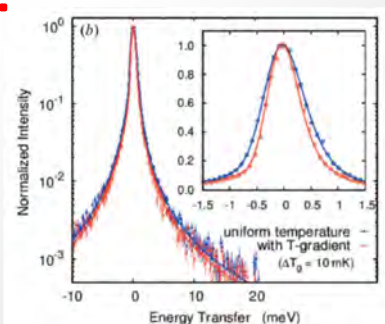


Make the analyzer substrate  
part of a thermal circuit

Si (13 13 13):  
 $\sim 0.95 \rightarrow 0.75$  meV at 25.7 keV



Control to  $\sim 0.0003$  K



Ishikawa & Baron, JSR 2010  
Ishikawa, Ellis, Uchiyama & Baron, JSR 2015

Practical: Reduce BW onto BX to 0.2 eV (x3)

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# Liquid Iron

$T_m = 1538^\circ\text{C}$

Geological Relevance!

More Fundamental Physics

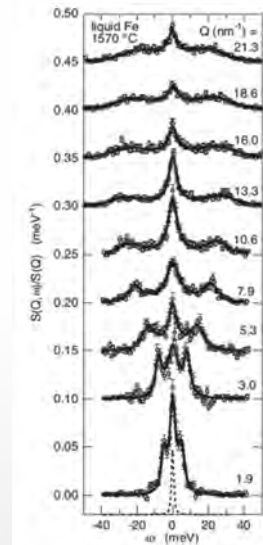
Liquid TMs have a relatively high specific heat ratio.

$$\gamma \equiv \frac{C_p}{C_v} \sim 1.8 \quad \text{Liquid Fe, Ni, Co...}$$

Relation to Landau-Placzek Ratio (hydrodynamics):

$$\frac{I_R}{2I_B} = \frac{\text{Quasielastic}}{\text{Phonon}} = \gamma - 1$$

Started as a straight-forward experiment...  
...became a more complicated one



Hosokawa, et al PRB 2008

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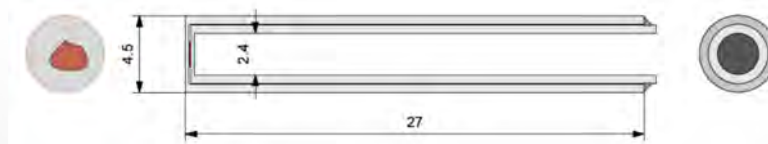
# Liquids at High Temperature

Basically two options for ~day-long expts:

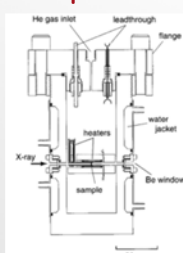
Levitation -> typically mm scale samples -> light materials only

Sample Cell -> requires sealed (single crystal) cell for high T

Extensive experience (Hiroshima U.) with cells milled out of single crystal sapphire (Tamura, Inui & Hosokawa, RSI 1999)



And in principle the right environment ("Marburg Chamber" - Hosokawa & Pilgrim, RSI2001)



But the chamber failed

Heaters (W or Mo) died too quickly at ~1600C

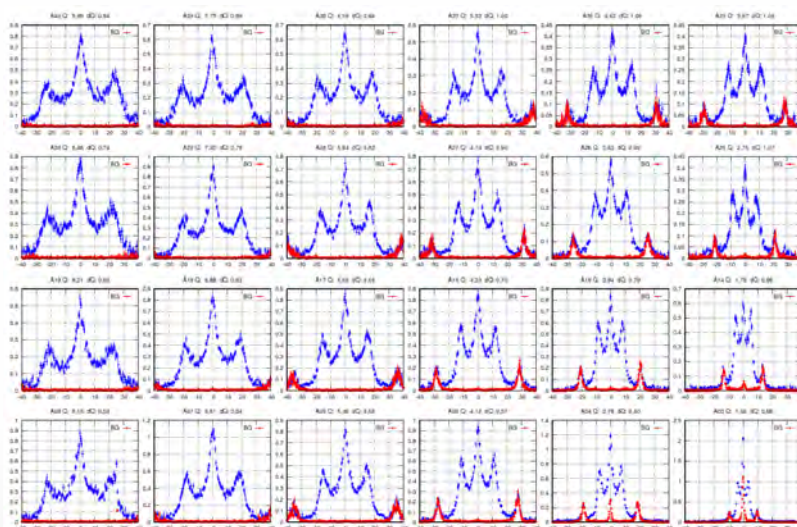
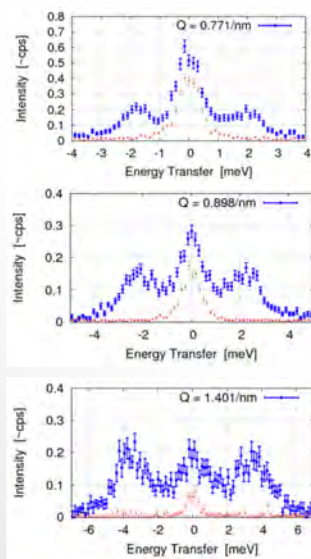
One run ~30 hours, but never again. (Weeks of work by MI)  
Looked (AB) like a contamination / sealing issue

-> New chamber using carbon composite heater  
8 days at ~1600C, Multiple cycles OK

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# Liquid Iron IXS Data

T ~ 1560 C



Si (13 13 13), 0.8 meV at 25.702 keV  
1 or 2 analyzers only (time limited)

Si (11 11 11), 1.3 meV at 21.747 keV  
24 Analyzer Array

Blue = IXS Data (no bkgd subtraction)  
Red = Background (scaled by transmission)

Baron, Inui, Ishikawa, Kajihara, Nakajima, Matsuda, et al., In progress

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## Iron Fit Results (dho)

Unpublished results removed

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# Detailed Balance

Symmetry property of scattering from a sample in thermal equilibrium

$$S(\mathbf{Q}, -\omega) = e^{-\hbar\omega/k_B T} S(\mathbf{Q}, \omega)$$

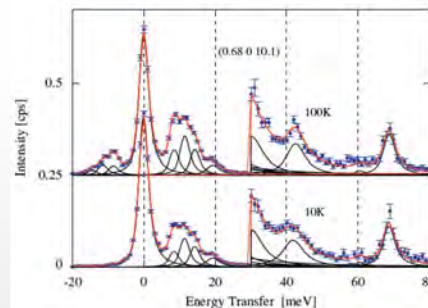
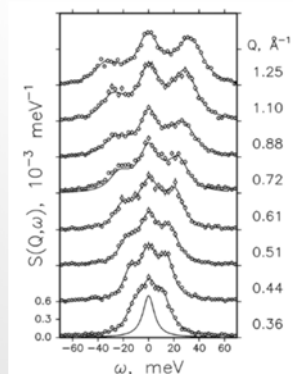
Slightly Simplified

The anti-stokes ( $E, \omega < 0$ ) side is a lower-intensity copy of the stokes ( $E, \omega > 0$ ) side with the intensity scale factor set by the energy transfer and the temperature

Really just a statement about the population of bosons in thermal equilibrium...

Used: built in to most IXS data fitting

Liquid Li, 215C  
Sinn et al, 1997



YBCO  
Baron et al, 2008

See, e.g., Squires, 1978, Lovesey, 1984

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# Thermal Conductivity

Insulators

A Boltzmann transport equation relates the local temperature gradient to the deviation of phonon populations from their equilibrium value

$$\nabla T \text{ related to } n_s - \bar{n}_s$$

Generally complex (all phonon scattering mechanisms need to be included, etc...)

BUT: often simplified by a "life-time approximation" LTA by assuming each phonon mode has a lifetime and if a thermal gradient is removed it will exponentially relax to its equilibrium population with that lifetime...

$$n_s - \bar{n}_s = -\tau_s \frac{\partial \bar{n}_s}{\partial T} \mathbf{v}_s \cdot \nabla T$$

$\mathbf{v}_s$  = phonon group velocity

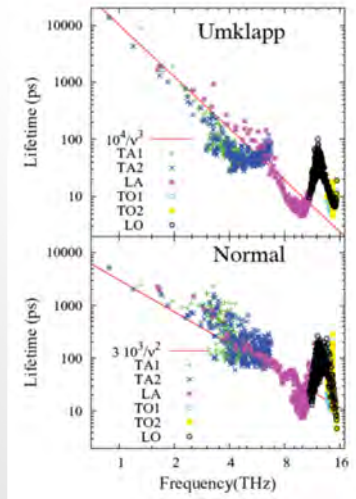
Breusch, 1987

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# Phonon Thermal Lifetimes

Anharmonic lifetimes are important for understanding thermal conductivity but it is superficially absurd to use a meV spectrometer to probe thermal lifetimes (excepting extreme cases)



Esfarjani et al PRB 2011  
277K

Thermal Lifetime ( $\tau$ ): ns -  $\mu$ s  
Line-width ( $\Gamma$ ):  $\mu$ eV - neV  
 $\Gamma\tau = \hbar = 0.66$  meV-ps

Work at the intersection of:

Detailed Balance

&

Thermal Conductivity

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# One-Phonon Cross Section

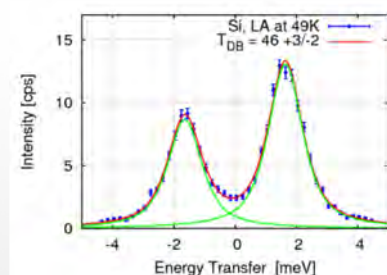
Harmonic Approximation

$$S_s(\mathbf{Q}, \omega) = |F_s(\mathbf{Q})|^2 \delta_{\mathbf{Q}-\mathbf{q}, \tau} [n_s \delta(\omega + \omega_s) + (n_s + 1) \delta(\omega - \omega_s)]$$

$$s = \mathbf{q}, j = \text{Phonon Mode} \quad n_s = \langle a_s^\dagger a_s \rangle \quad n_s + 1 = \langle a_s a_s^\dagger \rangle \quad |F_s(\mathbf{Q})|^2 = \frac{1}{\omega_s} \left| \sum_d \frac{f_d(\mathbf{Q})}{\sqrt{2M_d}} e^{-i\mathbf{Q} \cdot \mathbf{r}_d} e^{i\mathbf{Q} \cdot \mathbf{r}_j} \right|^2$$

$$\text{Thermal Equilibrium: } n_s = \bar{n}_s \equiv \frac{1}{e^{\hbar\omega_s/k_B T} - 1} \quad \frac{S(\mathbf{Q}, \omega_s)}{S(\mathbf{Q}, -\omega_s)} = \frac{\bar{n}_s + 1}{\bar{n}_s} = e^{\hbar\omega_s/k_B T}$$

$$T_{DB} = \frac{\hbar\omega_s}{k_B \ln(I_+/I_-)}$$



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# Ingredients

1. Use IXS to measure phonon populations via the asymmetry

$$T_{DB} = \frac{\hbar\omega_s}{k_B \ln(I_+/I_-)} \quad \frac{n_s + 1}{n_s} = e^{\hbar\omega_s/k_B T_{DB}}$$

2. A relation between experimentally determined quantities and the phonon thermal lifetime

$$n_s - \bar{n}_s = -\tau_s \frac{\partial \bar{n}_s}{\partial T} \mathbf{v}_s \cdot \nabla T$$

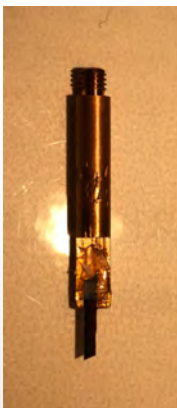
Note the dot product -> Effect depends on the relative direction of the phonon group velocity and the thermal gradient

Acoustic Modes  
High Symmetry Directions  $\mathbf{q} \parallel \mathbf{v}_s$

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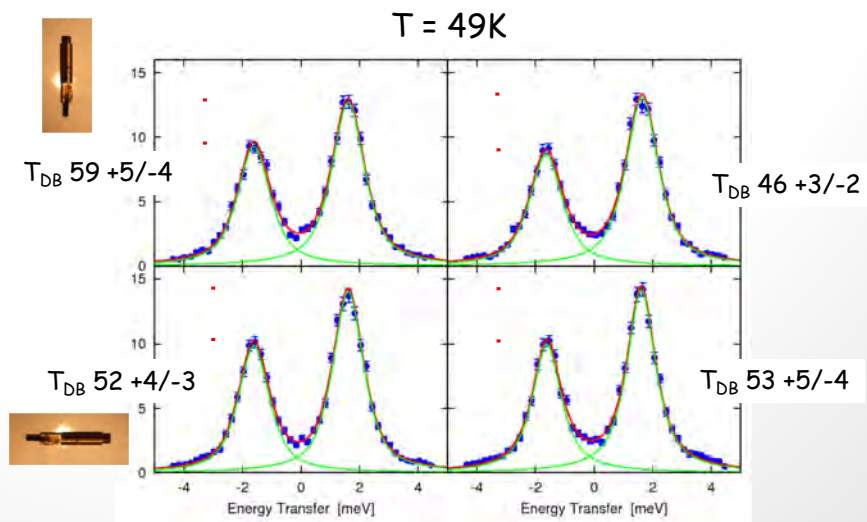
# Data - Control

Silicon Wafer  
0.28 x 1.7 x 8 mm<sup>3</sup>



Mounted inside a Be Cap  
With Exchange Gas  
With Thermal Shielding

i.e. Standard Operating  
Procedure

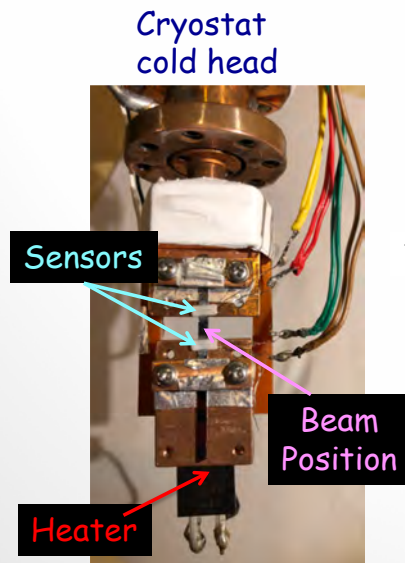


Measure at  $\mathbf{Q} = (4 \ -4 \ 0)$  or  $(4 \ 4 \ 0) \pm \mathbf{q}$   
 $\mathbf{q}$  parallel and perpendicular to axis  
of eventual gradient

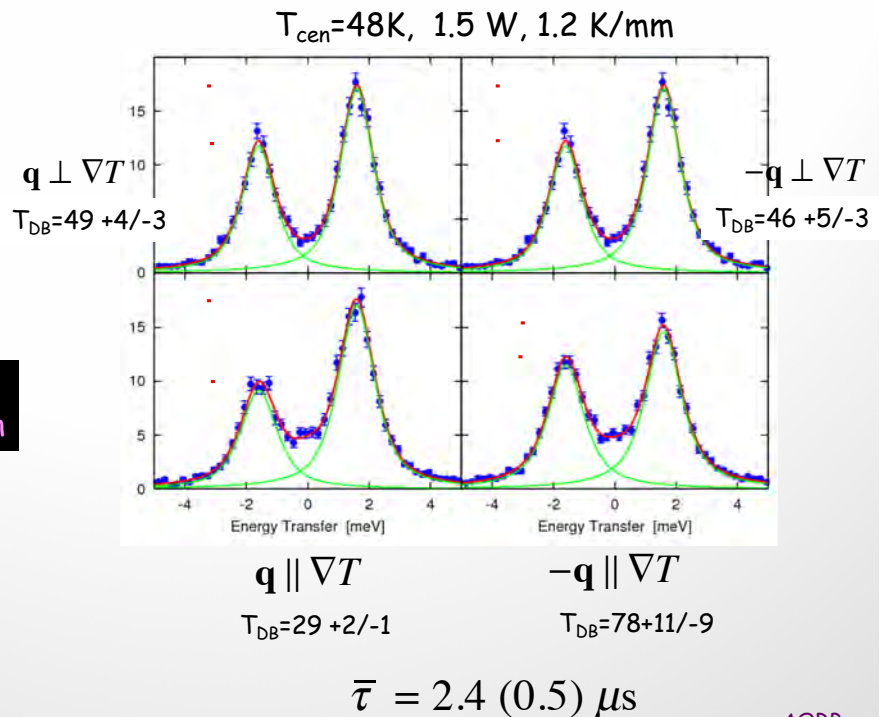
e.g.  $\mathbf{q} = (0.018 \ -0.018 \ 0)$   $\Delta\mathbf{q} = (0.004 \ 0.006 \ 0.005)$  rlu  
Slits: 6x6 mm<sup>2</sup> 9m from sample

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# Data With A Gradient



Mounted with a heater to create a thermal gradient



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# Thermal Linewidths

Reasonable violation of detailed balance. The symmetry is broken by breaking the condition (thermal equilibrium) where it applies.

Probe of lifetimes on the us scale (comparable to a linewidth  $< 1$  neV) by coupling to the phonon via a thermal gradient

No scattering method can do this directly (measure linewidth)....  
INS has good resolution but dispersing modes only to ueV level

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# Messages to Take Home

BL43LXU is beginning to do experiments that are difficult elsewhere  
using both an excellent beamline and additional specific instrumentation

Robust program going to extreme conditions (P/T) in DACs.

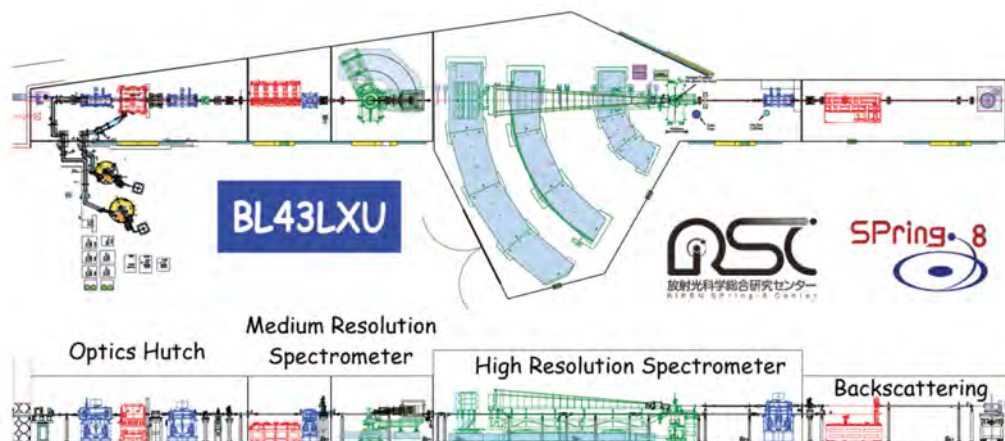
Ongoing work to make practical measurements with high resolution  
at low momentum transfers for higher Z liquid investigations.  
Push toward a 2000C sample environment (1600 OK, 1990 done, but not yet stable)  
Extend fundamental understanding of liquids

Violation of detailed balance in a reasonable fashion  
& a new method of probing thermal linewidths.  
Possible Relevance to Spintronics, Thermal diodes, etc

Note: this talk only touched on a few aspects of a larger experimental program(s)

Magneto-elastic coupling & 7T Magnet  
Superconductors & Ferroelectrics  
Single Crystal Elasticity (w/DAC)  
Vibron in liquid and solid hydrogen. (Phonons in  $H_2S$ )  
Electronic excitations w/25 meV resolution (NRIXS -  $Sr_2CuO_3$ , etc)  
Continuous parameter analysis of liquid spectra  
Symmetry based model for intensity fitting of phonon spectra

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Thank You!

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